## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS FORT WORTH DIVISION

SUZANNE COWAN,	§	
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Plaintiff,	§	
	§	
<b>v.</b>	§	Civil Action No. 4:17-cv-00437-O-BP
	§	
SENTRY INSURANCE A MUTUAL	§	
COMPANY,	§	
	§	
Defendant.	§	

## **ORDER**

Before the Court is the parties' "Joint Motion to Lift Abatement of Lawsuit for Sole Purpose of Appointing Umpire" (ECF No. 21), filed November 29, 2017. After reviewing the pleadings and applicable law, the Court **GRANTS** the parties' Joint Motion.

The Court hereby appoints Walter A. Herring, Esq. as the umpire in this case. Mr. Herring's address and contact information are as follows:

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It is **ORDERED** that, consistent with the terms of the insurance policy in question, the compensation due to the umpire, as well as any expenses incurred in connection with the umpire's work under this Order, shall be paid equally by Plaintiff and Defendant. ECF No. 5-1 at 39.

It is further **ORDERED** that this case is abated until the appraisal process has been completed. Within sixty days of the date of this Order, the parties shall file a Joint Status Report notifying the Court as to the status of the appraisal process.

It is so **ORDERED** on January 8, 2018.

Hal R. Ray, Jr.

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE